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report on ship sightings and
industrial installations in the harbor of Gdynia. The installations
include oil storage places, buildings and cranes.

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Country: Poland.
Kind of information: Maritime/military and economic.
Subject: Data harbor of Gdynia.

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Enclosures: 2 sketches
index of objects sketch 1.

A. Maritime data.

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1. During the night of 3 December 1955 [redacted] an exercise between submarines and destroyers. 25X1
2. At point 27, sketch, lay a destroyer [redacted] 25X1
3. At point 28, sketch, a large navy-gray colored, armed merchant ship. Around the ship a number of small vessels (patrol boats and landing craft).
4. At point 29, sketch, four-five submarines, of which only the conning towers were visible. [redacted] 25X1

B. Military data.

At point 18, sketch, about 6 cigar-shaped iron tanks were sitting on the wharf along the edge of the water. It appeared that there were

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bilge keels on the sides and 2 tank lids on the top.
Besides these 6 tanks [which were] behind a fence running along the wharf, 2 more of the same type of tanks being built.
For detailed description see also sketch 2.

C. Harbor installations.

1. Cranes.

- a. On the section of the wharf at point 3, sketch, four portal cranes with a lifting capacity of about 5-6 tons. At point 3 a shunt line, presumably for the cranes on the wharf, point 4, sketch. Possibly the cranes can travel through to the wharf, point 5, sketch.
- b. On the wharf, point 5, sketch, very many cranes.
- c. On the wharf, point 2, sketch, no cranes.
- d. On the wharf, point 16, sketch, 5 cranes, self-propelled, on rails. Portal type cranes with a lifting capacity of 10 tons.

2. Railroad lines.

- a. Along the wharf, point 2, sketch, three rail lines.
- b. The rails at point 11, sketch, (drawn on the Admiralty Chart) are not there.
- c. On the wharf, point 16, sketch, two rail lines.

3. Buildings.

- a. At point 6 and point 7, sketch, a large warehouse.
- b. At point 8, sketch, four wooden barracks.
- c. At point 10, sketch, a grain warehouse with grain elevator.
- d. The sheds on the Admiralty Chart (point 16, sketch) are not there.
- e. At points 20 and 21, sketch, two work sheds.
- f. At point 22, sketch, a large shed.
- g. At point 23, sketch, a high building.
The top stories are used as office space; the lower ones as a warehouse.

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D. Oil storage places.

1. At point 9, sketch, four oil tanks with an estimated capacity of 3,000-4,000 tons.
2. At point 19, sketch, three oil tanks, each of about 3,000-4,000 tons capacity.

E. Storage places.

1. On the wharf, point 16, sketch, a great quantity (about 3,000 tons) of iron plates and bars stored up.
2. At point 24, sketch, is a coal wharf, on which a great quantity of coal is stored.
 was
Three large cranes, with which the coal ~~is~~ loaded, ~~there~~ were moving on the wharf.
3. At point 25, sketch, three large coal conveyers.

F. Miscellaneous.

1. The depth along the wharf point 2, sketch, is about 8 meters at high water.
2. At point 17, sketch, a fishers' harbor, which lay full of trawlers and luggers.

G. Harbor security data.

1. The pilot came on board outside and moored the ship at point 1, sketch.
2. The ship was not searched.
The usual apparatus (cameras, etc.) was not sealed up. Also the radar did not need to be turned off.
3. Only one customs official came on board to seal up beverages and cigarettes. The customs official bought a number of ~~cartons~~ ~~and a large box of cigarettes~~ of cigarettes at 100 Zloty per ~~carton~~ carton (s).f).

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4. Shore passes were handed out in the usual manner and guards placed at the ladder~~x~~ (~~valreep~~).
5. At point 12, sketch, a military guard-post and barrier, which gives entrance to the harbor area. Shore passes are checked here..
6. At point 13, sketch, harbor lights.
7. At point 14, sketch, a wooden, military look-out tower.
8. At point 26, sketch, a military look-out tower.

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Index of objects sketch 1

1. First berth of ship [redacted]
2. Wharf north side Basin Nr. 4.
3. Wharf northwest side Basin Nr. 4.
4. Wharf west side Basin Nr. 4.
5. Wharf south side Basin Nr. 4.
6. Large warehouse.
7. Large warehouse.
8. Four wooden barracks.
9. Four oil tanks.
10. Grain warehouse with elevator.
11. Non-existent rails.
12. Military guard-post with barrier.
13. Harbor lights.
14. Military look-out tower.
15. Second berth of ship [redacted]
16. Wharf north side Basin Nr. 2.
17. Fishers' harbor.
18. Cigar-shaped tanks.
19. Three oil tanks.
20. Work shed.
21. Work shed.
22. Large shed.
23. High building with [several] stories.
24. Coal wharf (south side Basin Nr. 3.)
25. Three large coal conveyers.
26. Military look-out post.
27. Berth of destroyer [redacted]
28. Large armed freighter.
29. 4-5 submarines.

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